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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. 219.005-C1-US)

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In the Application of: **Yamada et al.** ) Group Art Unit: **2125**  
Serial No: **10/790,276** )  
Filed: **March 1, 2004** )  
Title: **Production Managing System of** )  
**Semiconductor Device** )

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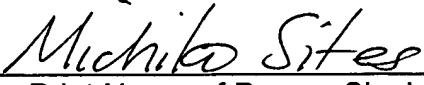
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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

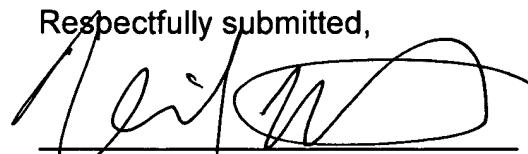
Dear Sir:

Applicants note the Examiner's reasons for allowance. No inference or conclusion should be drawn that Applicants agree with the Examiner's reasons for allowance. Indeed, the Examiner's statement refers to an "amendment" in the parent application. It is unclear as to which amendment, and which statements within that amendment, the Examiner is referring to. This notwithstanding, the claims pending and allowed in the instant application are different in many respects to those claims allowed in the parent application.

Further, Applicants note the prior art made of record but not relied upon. It is not clear what is meant by the comment that the prior art made of record "is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure." (Notice of Allowability, page 2). No inference or conclusion should be drawn that Applicants agree, in any way, with the Examiner's

characterization of such prior art. In an effort to provide a more concise Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance, and because the Examiner has not rejected any of the claims of the instant application based on the prior art made of record (but not relied upon), Applicants do not provide comments on the Examiner's characterization.

Respectfully submitted,



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